

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): T. HIROI, et al  
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For: PATTERN INSPECTION METHOD AND  
SYSTEM THEREFOR  
Group: 2881  
Examiner: J. Berman  
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**PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop: Amendment (Fee)  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 30, 2007

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit the filing of a response within the first month subsequent to the expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed July 30, 2007.

An electronic payment in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time is being submitted concurrently herewith.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 501.41125X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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